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Leo Koury Papers: A Guide to His Papers at the Jimmy Carter Library

Collection Summary

Creator: E.G. Leo Koury, 1928-

<u>Title</u>: Leo Koury Papers

Dates: 1976

Quantity: 5 linear inches, 1 container

Identification:

Accession Number: 98-02.a

National Archives Identifier: 166663088

Scope and Content:

This collection contains two letters and a manuscript. The manuscript is an unpublished, hand-edited version of Lillian Carter's memoirs about her time with the Peace Corps in India and Afghanistan.

Creator Information: Leo Koury

E. G. "Leo" Koury was born in inner-city Lorain, Ohio, in 1928, where his Lebanese immigrant family sold bootleg liquor during Prohibition to make ends meet. While not even being of age, Koury was put to work at Mill Tavern absorbing a life full of strict discipline, arguments, fighting, and anger, both at the bar and home. He graduated from the University of Cincinnati with an LL.B. in 1953. He was then inducted into the U.S. Army. In 1955, he was honorably discharged and began practicing law. He became involved in local politics in his hometown, and led the campaigns of Democratic candidates for the Congressional district. He became involved with Jimmy Carter's presidential campaign and helped him win Lorain County, Ohio. But, along the way, Koury's journey toward success led to disillusionment as he felt a pull to get right with his father's memory-and his heavenly Father. He learned how to be humble and give back to others; something that has been his focus for the past few decades. Koury and his wife of 57 years, Lila, are the parents of four children. They live near Cleveland, Ohio.

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Index Terms:

Limited to major topics under each category

Persons: Lillian Carter, Beth Hitchcock

Organizations: Peace Corps

Places: Indian, Afghanistan

Types of Material: Correspondence, manuscript

Administrative Information:

Preferred citation: [Type of Document], [Names of Sender and Recipient or Title of Document], [Date], [Collection Title], [Series Title], [Folder Title], [Box Number], Jimmy Carter Presidential Library.

Acquisition information: These donated historical materials were received under provisions of the instrument of gift that Leo Koury signed July 6, 1998.

Processing information: The collection was opened in December, 2019.

System of Arrangement:

The records of the Leo Koury Papers contains one series:

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Detailed Description of the Collection

Subject Files

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